

New law provides that all lands, buildings and improvements, facilities, and other property having title vested in the public and subject to management, administration, and control by a parish school board for public education purposes but located within the geographic boundaries of a public school board created legislatively after January 1, 1995, shall be managed, administered, and controlled by the public school board in whose geographic boundaries the lands, buildings and improvements, facilities, or other property is located, effective on the date such school board begins its initial year of actual operation providing for the education of students within its jurisdiction.

New law specifies that its provisions apply notwithstanding any provision of law or any rule or regulation to the contrary, except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in a local or special law, including but not limited to Act No. 1434 of the 1997 Regular Session and any amendments thereto. Also states that new law provisions are pursuant to the constitutional duty and responsibility of the legislature to establish and maintain a public educational system (Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution of Louisiana) and the constitutional authority (Article VIII, Section 10(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana) granted the legislature to enact laws affecting parish school board systems in existence as of midnight on December 31, 1974.

(Act No. 1434, relative to the City of Baker School Board, provides, in part, that in the absence of a mutual agreement between the Baker board and the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board as to whether certain K-12 public school facilities, land, and property are owned by the Baker board or by the East Baton Rouge board, the Baker board must either invoke arbitration proceedings or file a motion for declaratory judgement in a court of competent jurisdiction on the question. Provides further relative to such facilities, land, and property depending on the action taken by the Baker board and determinations on the issue.)

Effective upon signature of governor (July 2, 1999).

(Adds R.S. 17:100.6)